

June 19, 2001

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Fred Carpenter, Chairman, Wickenburg

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, June 26, 2001, 9:00 a.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room  
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING TIME HAS BEEN CHANGED  
TO 9:00AM**

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) will be held at the time and place noted above. **Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.** If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Eric Anderson or Roger Herzog at (602) 254-6300.

Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership or nine people for the MAG TRC. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

	<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Approval of Minutes of May 22, 2001 Minutes</u>	2. Approve minutes of May 22, 2001 Meeting.
3. <u>Call to the Audience</u>  An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Committee. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments.	3. For information.
4. <u>Transportation Manager's Report</u>	

<p>Recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for the MAG Management Committee will be reviewed by the Transportation Manager.</p>	<p>4. For information and discussion.</p>
<p>5. <u>Report on the MAG Freeway Program</u></p> <p>MAG freeway program management will address issues related to the freeway Life Cycle Program. The status of the MAG Annual Report on the regional freeway system will be discussed.</p>	<p>5. For information and discussion.</p>
<p>6. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>Committee members can request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.</p>	<p>6. For information and discussion.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CONSENT AGENDA</u></p>	
<p>*7. <u>Request to Amend the FY 2001-2005 MAG Transportation Improvement Program</u></p> <p>The FY 2001-2005 MAG TIP was approved by the Regional Council on July 26, 2000. It is necessary to amend this TIP to incorporate two projects that have recently been identified as requiring federal funds in FY 2001. These are a City of Phoenix Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (BR) funded study project and the advance design phase of a City of Goodyear traffic signal project. These projects are both exempt projects for air quality analysis purposes and the consultation for this is included under a separate agenda item.</p>	<p>*7. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend an amendment to the FY 2001-2005 MAG Transportation Improvement Program.</p>
<p>*8. <u>Draft FY 2002-2006 MAG Transportation</u></p>	<p>*8. For information, discussion and possible</p>

### Improvement Program

Each year MAG updates the Five Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), primarily by adding a fifth year. All federally funded projects and regionally significant transportation projects (include city and privately funded projects) must be included in the draft TIP for the purpose of meeting the air quality conformity analysis requirements. The FY 2002-2006 draft TIP was approved by Regional Council in March 2001, to undergo this analysis, which is now complete. A copy of the necessary documents have been made available prior to a public hearing scheduled for July of 2001. A copy of the draft TIP is attached for review and possible action by the committee. Minor changes included in the draft TIP are listed separately in Errata sheet 02-4, which is also attached.

action to recommend approval of the FY 2002-2006 MAG Transportation Improvement Program.

### ITEMS TO BE HEARD

9. Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Presentation

Staff from the Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) will provide information on their proposal to develop a RTA within Maricopa County. The County will provide a general overview, and address items pertaining to the proposed RTA's establishment, implementation and operation authority, organizational structure, and financial operation and structure.

10. Draft FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP Guidance Report (ex Management Systems Report)

Consistent with the advanced application process for MAG federal funds, the previously titled Management Systems Report was developed to act as a guide to

decision makers to facilitate programming of transportation projects in the region. The revised version of this publication is now called the TIP Guidance Report (TGR). Most of the technical information provided by the management systems on safety, bridge conditions, transit vehicle needs, intermodal projects, and congestion levels is retained and has been updated where appropriate. Information is also provided on air quality conditions, Title VI and Environmental Justice factors and congestion management strategies.

The main improvement is that the TGR now contains the application forms for MAG Federal funds and represents the formal request for projects for addition to the FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP. The main aim of this new report is to improve the information provided to decision makers and to allow additional time for considering projects submitted by MAG agencies at the modal committee level. A draft executive summary of the FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP Guidance Report is attached. A full copy of the report is available on request.

11. Final Closeout of the MAG Federally Funded Program for FY 2001.

At their May 23, 2001, meeting, the Regional Council approved the interim close out of the MAG Federally Funded Program for FY 2001. Since that time, the TRC has recommended some additional projects totaling approximately \$2.2 million and these will be addressed at the June Regional Council meeting. Similar to last year, prospects for additional redistributed Obligation Authority (OA) are limited, at this time. In order to accommodate any redistributed and/or any other uncommitted OA that may become available, it is customary to identify potential projects that could utilize the OA

at very short notice. The contingency projects that are identified to utilize this funding must be able to obligate at very short notice and need to be already included in the current TIP. MAG staff recommends that any additional MAG federal funds that become available be used to advance the purchase of transit vehicles from future years.

12. Routing of US 60 and US 93

ADOT is initiating a review of options for the routing of US 60 and US 93 within the Maricopa region. Several alternatives have been identified and will be presented for discussion. Please refer to the attached.

13. Next Meeting Date

The next regular TRC meeting will be scheduled Tuesday, July 24, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Office, Saguaro Room.

9. Information and discussion.

10. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend acceptance of the FY 2003-2007 MAG TIP Guidance Report.

11. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend that any additional MAG federal funds that become available be used to advance the purchase of transit vehicles from future years and to recommend TIP amendment action, as needed.

12. For information and discussion.

13. For information.